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1. Soviet orders for paraldehyde-spirit mixture from the SAG Buna Werke, Schkopau, have increased sharply since 1951. Past, current, and planned deliveries are as follows:

1951	33,000 tons
1952	52,000 tons, plus 2,100 tons supplementary deliveries.
1953	60,000 tons.

These are designated as T deliveries.

2. T deliveries are also referred to as mandatory (Pflicht) deliveries. The word reparations is never used, and it is not certain whether they take place on the reparations account. They are, however, unrequited deliveries and do not take place within the framework of the East German - USSR trade agreement. In many cases, these mandatory deliveries are greatly in excess of the quantities scheduled for export under the trade agreement. Thus, for example, mandatory deliveries of methyl alcohol by Leuna in 1952 amounted to 28,000 tons, compared with 2,000 tons for export within the framework of the trade agreement. The methyl alcohol capacity of Leuna is 100 tons per day.
3. In addition to T deliveries, the USSR takes the profits of the SAG's in the form of Sim (sic) deliveries. These are settled on a quarterly basis.
4. Soviet instructions for mandatory requirements are communicated from the USIG headquarters in Moscow direct to the SAG concerned. It often happens that this order is later duplicated by the Soviet Economic Mission in Berlin which approaches DIA Chemie. The latter then approaches the SAG, only to find that the matter is already in hand.

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5. At the end of August 1952, the Amt fuer Regierungsaufträge (Office for Government Orders) placed orders for tetraethyl lead and ethylene glycol with DIA-Chemie. Both these items will have to be imported. Tetraethyl lead is a benzine additive and ethylene glycol is an anti-freeze solution.
 6. The Bunawerke, Schkopau, were recently within 48 hours of a complete stoppage due to the non-arrival of phenylbetanaphthalene from the USSR.
 7. Overseas Negotiations.¹
 - a. Karl Heine Zirpel, who was in Moscow from mid-November 1951 to 18 January 1952, preparing the 1953 Import/Export Plan (Chemicals) is expected to travel to Moscow again this week for the same purpose.
 - b. Dr. Kirsten (fnu), Abteilung Gütekontrolle² of DIA Chemie, left for Peking at the end of September. His visit is connected with the 1952 trade agreement and with the planning of some trade exhibitions in China.
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1. Comment: [] the negotiators report directly to MIAH on their return, and that no memoranda are sent to DIA for their information. 25X1
 2. Comment. Quality testing department. 25X1

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